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Dr. Tom Hawkins

Hawkins named Propulsion scientist of the year

by Jeffrey Pearce, Propulsion Directorate

EDWARDS AFB, CALIF — Dr. Tom Hawkins of the Propulsion Directorate's Propellants Branch at Edwards AFB was recently honored for his efforts.

Hawkins received the Edwards AFB Civilian Scientist/Engineer of the Year award from the Air Force Flight Test Center, or AFFTC. Hawkins received his award from Maj. Gen. Richard V. Reynolds, Commander of AFFTC, for his groundbreaking work on the AFRL Advanced Monopropellant Research and Development Program.

Monopropellants combine the properties of fuel and oxidizer in one chemical and are typically used in adjusting or vernier rockets to provide thrust for making changes to orbits. @